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DURING A BATTLE BETWEEN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG AND DR. EGGMAN, AN EXPLOSION HURLED SONIC, HIS FRIENDS, AND DR. EGGMAN, ACROSS DIMENSIONS UNTIL THEY FOUND THEMSELVES ON PLANET EARTH. DR. EGGMAN IS DETERMINED TO ESTABLISH HIS EGGMAN EMPIRE BEGINNING WITH EARTH AND SONIC IS DETERMINED TO STOP HIM.



PARIS, FRANCE. FOR MANY, IT IS CONSIDERED THE CITY OF LOVE.

OF COURSE, THERE ARE MANY KINDS OF LOVE, JUST ASK *BIG THE CAT*...



I JUST LOVE FISHING. DON'T YOU, FROGGY?

RIBBIT.



JUST DON'T EAT ANY MORE SPARKLY STONES.

I DON'T WANT YOU TO GROW ANOTHER TAIL OR SEE THAT CHAOS MONSTER AGAIN!



HEY, FROGGY, WHAT'S THAT?



LOOK, FROGGY! FIREWORKS!

LET'S GO SEE WHERE THEY ARE COMING FROM!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY CHRIS!

FIREWORKS LIGHT UP THE SKY OVER THE PARIS WORLD'S FAIR, ALL TO CELEBRATE YOUNG CHRISTOPHER THORNDYKE'S BIRTHDAY.

THIS IS THE BEST BIRTHDAY EVER, SONIC!

WE'RE SORRY WE COULDN'T BE IN STATION SQUARE ON YOUR ACTUAL BIRTHDAY, CHRIS.

WHY ARE MR. AND MRS. THORNDYKE IN PARIS, CHUCK?

MY SON'S COMPANY IS GOING TO UNVEIL ITS LATEST TECHNOLOGICAL TRIUMPH...

AND HIS WIFE IS THE SPOKESMODEL, TAILS.

HAVE YOU EVER BEEN TO SUCH AN INCREDIBLE PARTY, CREAM?

MY MOTHER USED TO HAVE TEA PARTIES FOR MY BIRTHDAY, AMY.

ooooooooooooo!

ELSEWHERE, GOVERNMENT AGENTS ROUGE THE BAT AND TOPAZ SCAN THE CROWD FOR DR. EGGMAN.

I HAVEN'T SEEN DR. EGGMAN SINCE WE GOT HERE. HOW ABOUT YOU, ROUGE?

I'VE SEEN A LOT OF PRETTY THINGS, TOPAZ, BUT NO SIGN OF HIS UGLY MUG.

NELSON THORNDYKE IS PUTTING ON QUITE A SHOW FOR HIS SON'S BIRTHDAY.

MEMORY MODULES STILL NOT FUNCTIONAL

CAN ONLY HOPE THESE TWO CAN RESTORE MY DATA BANKS

*Our mysterious stranger first appeared in the previous issue.

WICKED SWEET SHUTTLE SHENANIGANS

PART ONE

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MEANWHILE, IN WASHINGTON, DC...

WHY DID YOU SEND TOPAZ AND ROUGE TO PARIS INSTEAD OF ME, MR. PRESIDENT?

I WAS GOING TO SEND YOU, BUT YOU WERE NOT AT GUARDIANS HQ AND COULD NOT BE REACHED BY RADIO...

...WHERE WERE YOU, CAPTAIN WESTWOOD?

ERR... I HAD A PERSONAL MATTER I HAD TO TAKE CARE OF.*

DO NOT DISAPPOINT ME AGAIN, CAPTAIN, OR I'LL GIVE YOUR JOB TO AGENT TOPAZ.

*You can read all about Captain Westwood's "personal" matter in last month's issue.

YES, SIR, MR. PRESIDENT, SIR.

THIS IS ALL TOPAZ, ROUGE, AND SONIC'S FAULT! I'LL HAVE TO TEACH THEM ALL A LESSON!

BACK AT THE WORLD'S FAIR IN PARIS...

THANKS, MOM!
THANKS, DAD!

THERE WILL BE MORE EXCITEMENT TOMORROW WHEN I UNVEIL THE NELSON INDUSTRIES SPACE SHUTTLE.

AS PART OF YOUR BIRTHDAY SURPRISE, SON, YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS ARE GOING TO BE ITS FIRST PASSENGERS!



WEREN'T THOSE FIREWORKS PRETTY, FROGGY?

RIBBIT, RIBBIT!

FROGGY? WHAT'S WRONG?



WE'D BETTER GET BACK TO THE EGG CARRIER TO PREPARE FOR TOMORROW.

YOU'RE RIGHT. THAT DOES KINDA LOOK LIKE THAT NASTY DR. EGGMAN.

WHY DO YOU SUPPOSE HE'S HERE?



ROUGE, YOU CAN'T FLY! YOU'LL BLOW OUR COVER!

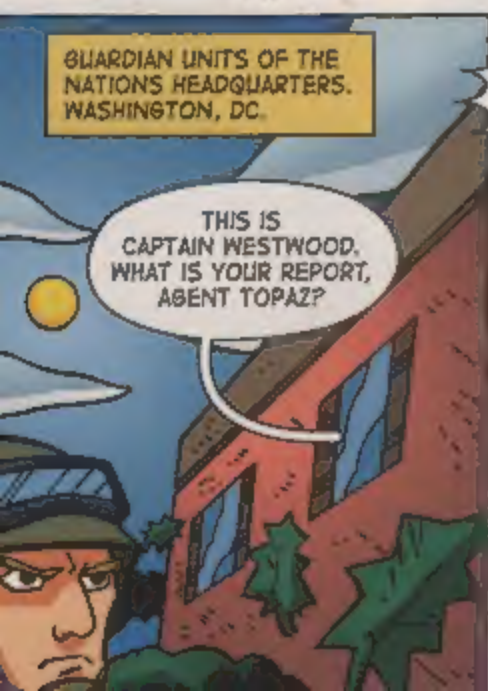
IT'S THE BEST WAY TO SPOT EGGMAN IN THIS CROWD.

CAN'T WE GET ONE MORE CHOCOLATE CREPE BEFORE WE GO?



I'M BEGINNING TO THINK EGGMAN ISN'T IN PARIS.

WE'D BETTER REPORT IN. MAYBE HQ HAS AN UPDATE.



GUARDIAN UNITS OF THE NATIONS HEADQUARTERS. WASHINGTON, DC.

THIS IS CAPTAIN WESTWOOD. WHAT IS YOUR REPORT, AGENT TOPAZ?

ROUGE AND I HAVE BEEN THROUGH THE ENTIRE FAIR TWICE, SIR. THERE'S NO SIGN OF DR. EGGMAN.

THIS IS MY CHANCE TO MAKE TOPAZ AND ROUGE LOOK INCOMPETENT. IF THEY CAN'T CARRY OUT A SIMPLE MISSION, THE PRESIDENT WON'T TRUST THEM AGAIN.

RETURN TO WASHINGTON, AGENT TOPAZ.

RETURN? WE'RE JUST CHECKING IN FOR ANY UPDATES TO THE INTEL.

APPARENTLY THE INTEL WAS **WRONG**. YOU ARE **ORDERED** TO RETURN TO HQ.

YES, SIR.

DO YOU BELIEVE THE INTEL WAS **WRONG**?

OUR ADVANCE INTELLIGENCE IS USUALLY **VERY ACCURATE**.

BUT WE'VE BEEN **ORDERED** TO GO BACK TO WASHINGTON.

THE CAPTAIN DIDN'T SAY **WHEN**. I THINK WE SHOULD STICK AROUND UNTIL THORNDYKE UNVEILS HIS SHUTTLE.

IT'S THE **OBVIOUS TARGET**.

WHAT ABOUT OUR ORDERS?

YOU CAN BLAME **ME**. TELL THE CAPTAIN I GOT **DISTRACTED** BY THE **JEWELS OF THE WORLD EXHIBIT**.

YOU'D DO THAT FOR ME?

SURE. I'M USED TO TROUBLE. I CAN HANDLE IT.


... THEY HAVEN'T LED ME TO ANY DATA ABOUT MY PAST OR PROGRAMMING ...

... TOO MANY BAD SECTORS ON MY HARD DRIVE ... NO FILES REGARDING MY HISTORY OR MISSION ...

... WHO AM I? ... WHAT AM I? ...


... MAYBE IT WAS A MISTAKE TO FOLLOW THEM HERE ...

*Topaz and Rouge investigated the chamber in the sewer where our mysterious stranger awoke last issue.




THE NEXT DAY, A HUGE CROWD HAS GATHERED TO SEE NELSON AND LINDSEY THORNDYKE UNVEIL THE INCREDIBLE NEW SPACE SHUTTLE.


WITHIN THE CROWD ARE SEVERAL FAMILIAR FACES...



WE'LL GO BACK TO FISHING AFTER THIS, FROGGY.



THE BIG MOMENT IS ALMOST HERE!



I HOPE ROUGE WAS RIGHT ABOUT STAYING HERE.

I DON'T WANT TO LOSE MY JOB FOR DISOBEYING ORDERS.

AND ONE LESS FAMILIAR FACE.

... ENOUGH SNEAKING AROUND ... WILL APPROACH THOSE TWO WOMEN ... FIND OUT WHAT THEY KNOW ABOUT ME ...



THERE'S A HUGE CROWD OUT THERE, DAD!

I JUST LOVE LINDSEY THORNDYKE!

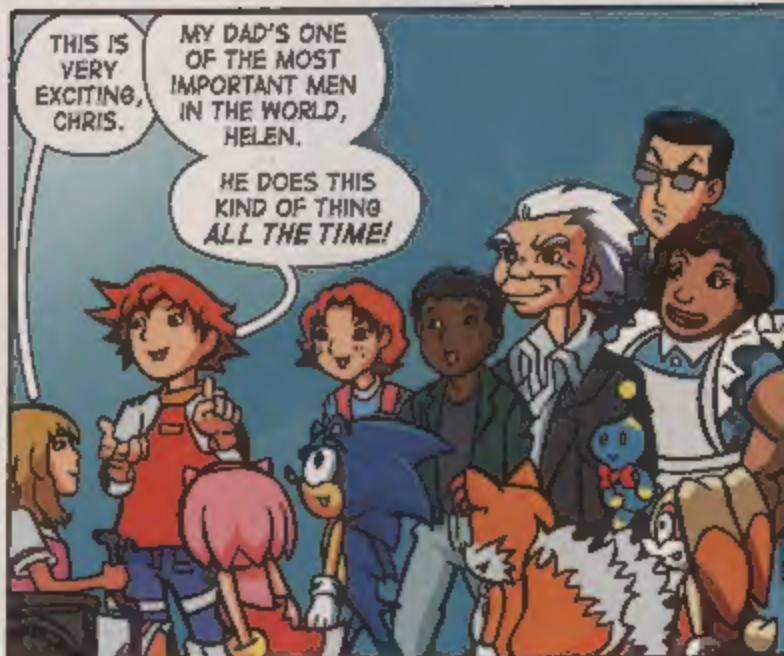


YOU TWO WILL HAVE TO WAIT OFFSTAGE WITH THE OTHERS.

IT'S NOT PROFESSIONAL TO PEEK OUT OF THE CURTAINS THAT WAY.



HE'S RIGHT. THERE IS A HUGE CROWD OUT THERE!



THIS IS VERY EXCITING, CHRIS.

MY DAD'S ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT MEN IN THE WORLD, HELEN.

HE DOES THIS KIND OF THING ALL THE TIME!



MR. THORNDYKE! MRS. THORNDYKE!

YOU HAVE TO GET TO YOUR PLACES!

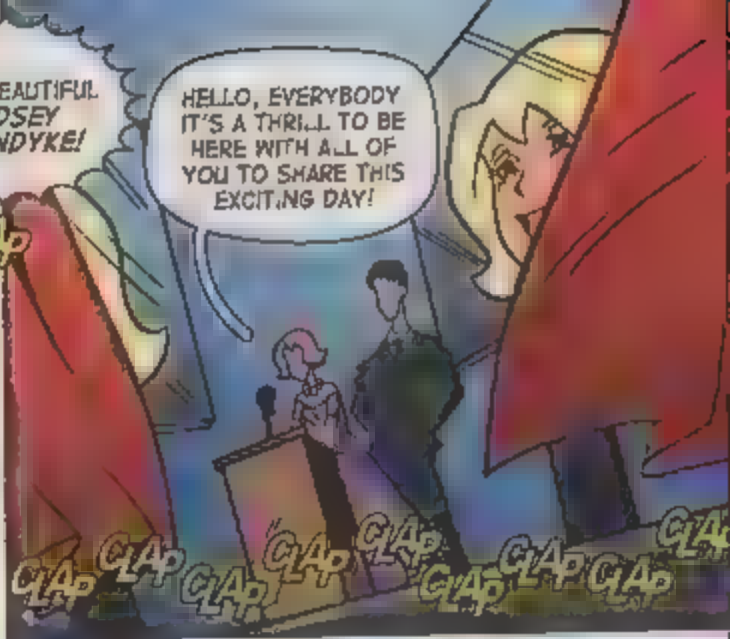
THE SHOW'S ABOUT TO BEGIN!

CHARLIE, YOU REALLY SHOULD CUT BACK ON THE CAFE AU LAIT!

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN
PLEASE GIVE A WARM
WELCOME TO STAR OF THE
STAGE AND SCREEN

THE BEAUTIFUL
LINDSEY
THORNDYKE!

HELLO, EVERYBODY
IT'S A THRILL TO BE
HERE WITH ALL OF
YOU TO SHARE THIS
EXCITING DAY!



SHE HAS NO
IDEA HOW
EXCITING TH'S
DAY IS GOING
TO BE!

AND SONIC
ISN'T HERE
TO RUIN MY
PLANS!



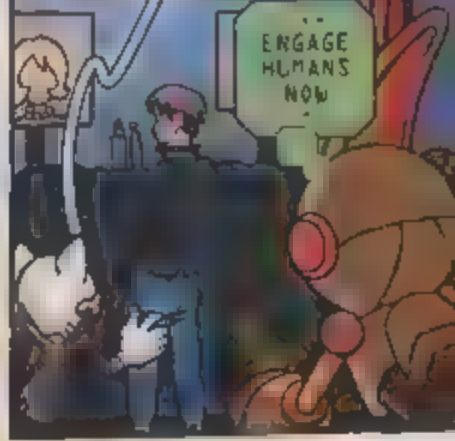
IF EGGMAN'S
GOING TO
STRIKE, IT WILL
BE ANY
SECOND
NOW.

HE'D BETTER
BE HERE, OR
WE'RE GOING
TO LOSE OUR
JOBS.



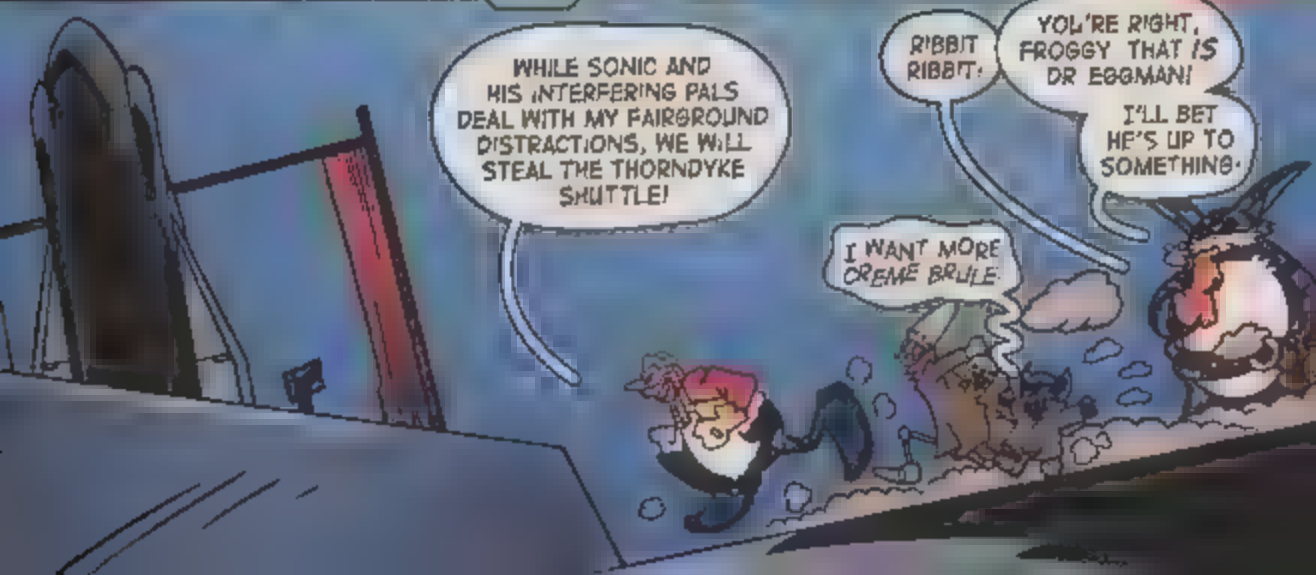
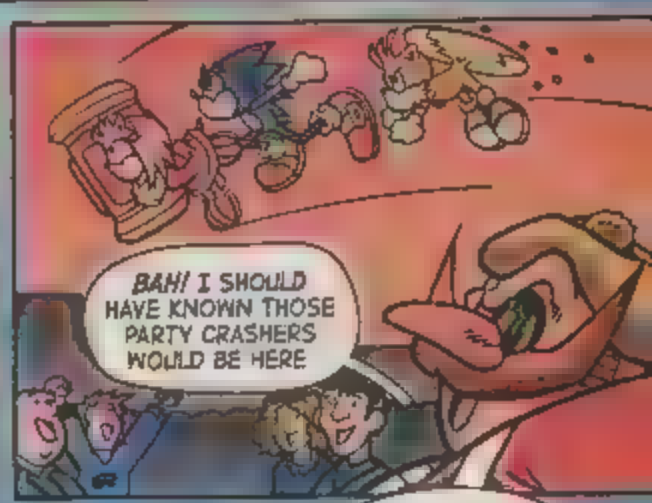
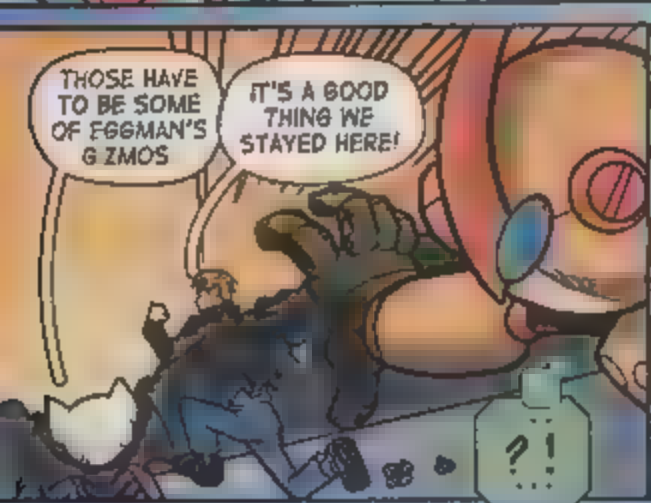
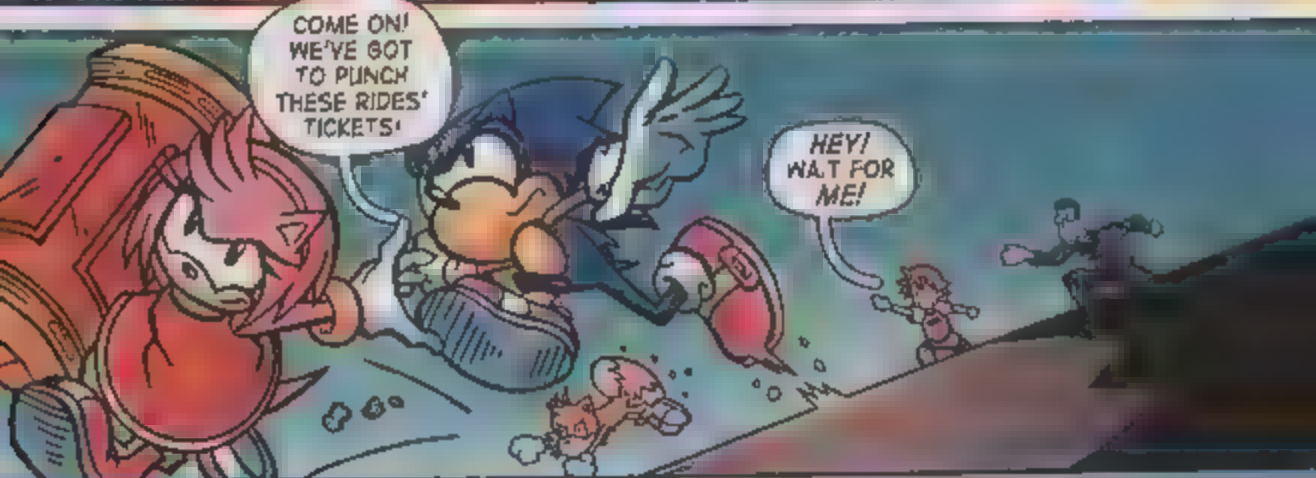
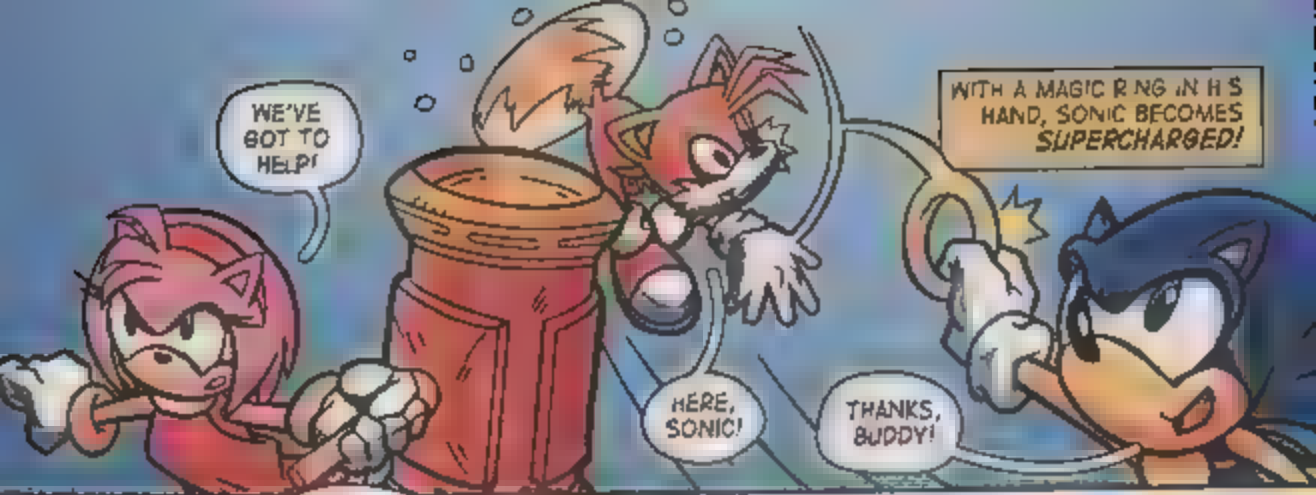
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THAT HAPPENS, I
CAN ALWAYS GO
BACK TO MY OLD
LINE OF WORK

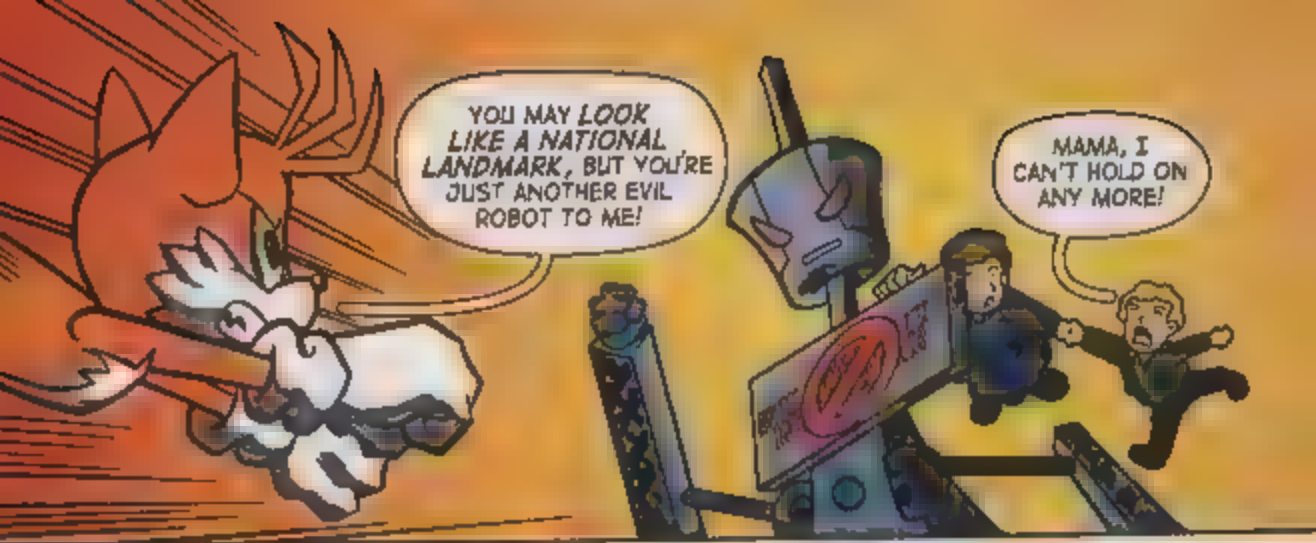
ENGAGE
HUMANS
NOW



WHEN I PRESS
THIS BUTTON, I WILL
INTRODUCE THE WORLD
TO NELSON INDUSTRIES'
STATE OF THE ART
SPACE SHUTTLE!

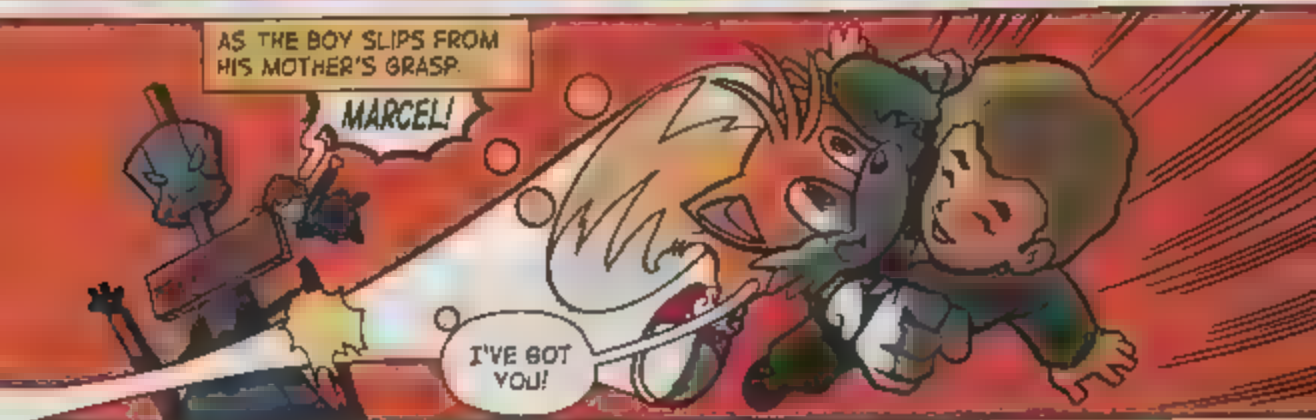






YOU MAY LOOK LIKE A NATIONAL LANDMARK, BUT YOU'RE JUST ANOTHER EVIL ROBOT TO ME!

MAMA, I CAN'T HOLD ON ANY MORE!



AS THE BOY SLIPS FROM HIS MOTHER'S GRASP

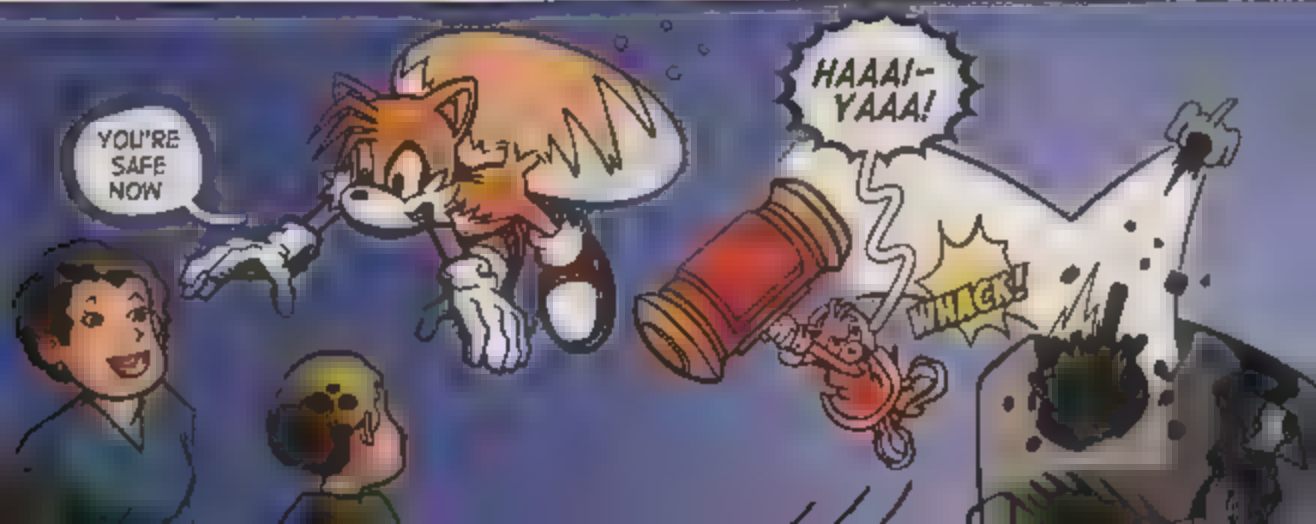
MAMA!

I'VE GOT YOU!



SHOOTING PEANUTS AT PEOPLE IS A SHELL OF A WAY TO BEHAVE!

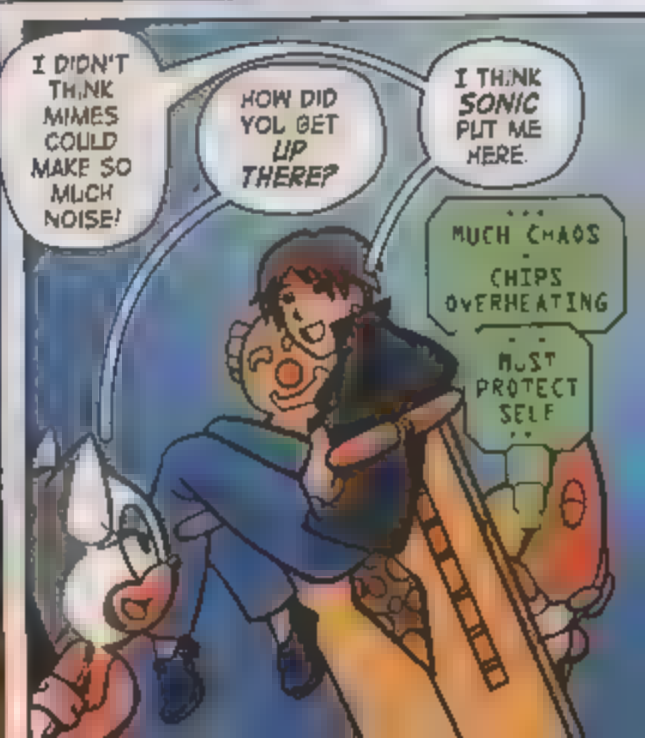
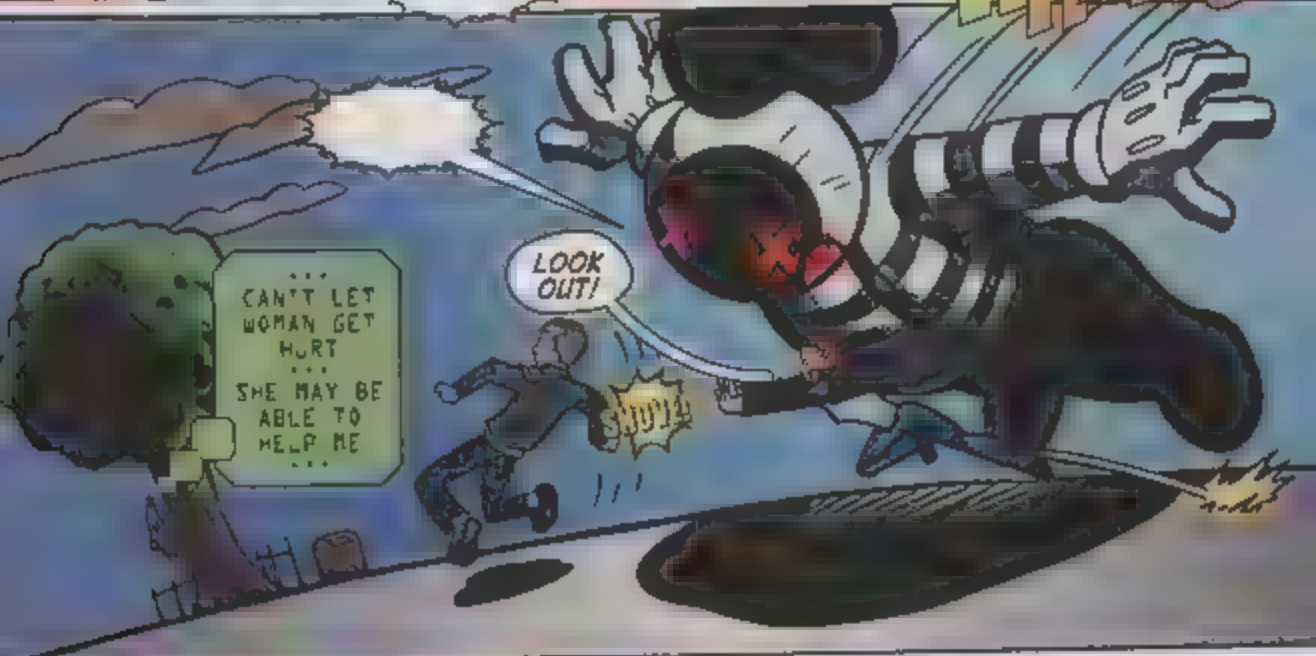
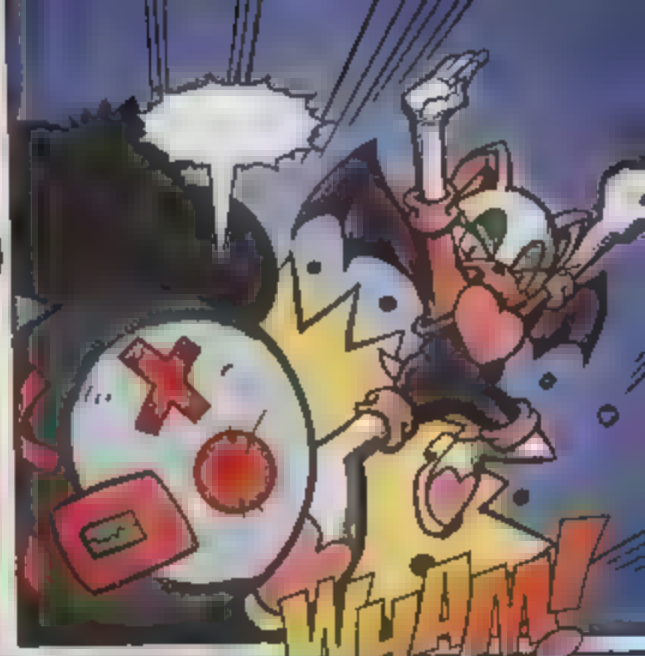
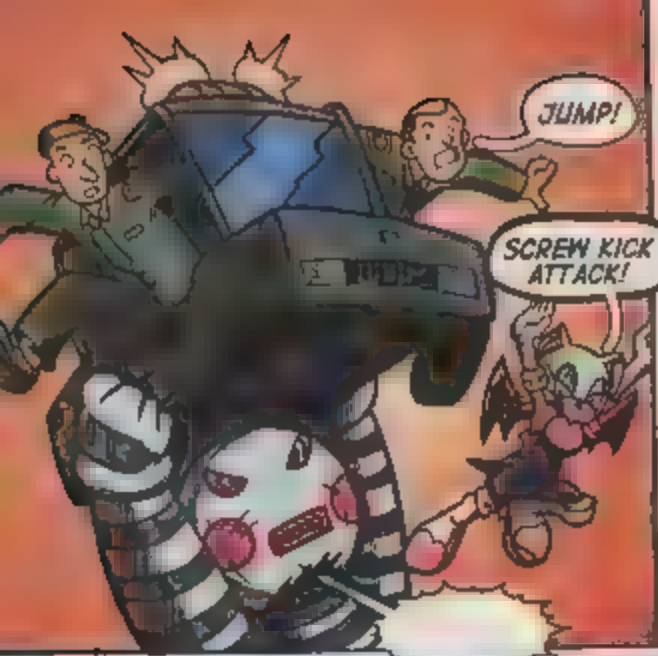
POW!
POW!
POW!



YOU'RE SAFE NOW

HAAA-YAAA!

WHACK!





DON'T WORRY, BOY! I'LL SAVE YOU!

MASTER CHRIS!



HOLD STILL, OR I WON'T BE ABLE TO LINTIE YOU



MR TANAKA! WAIT!

THE DOG--!



CRASH!

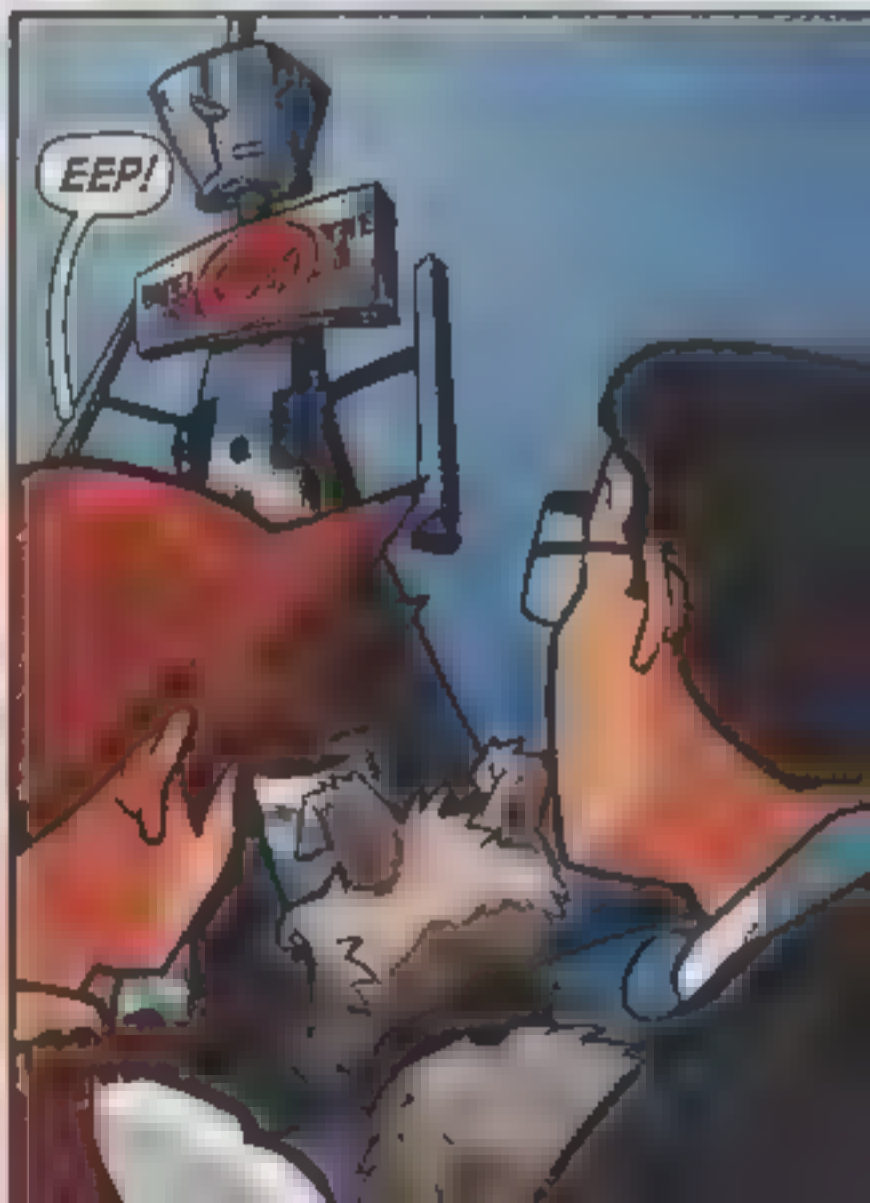
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OOE, THANKS, MR TANAKA.

I AM S MPLY PERFORMING MY DUTY, MASTER CHRIS.

WHAT'S THE MATTER, BOY? WHAT'S BACK THERE?



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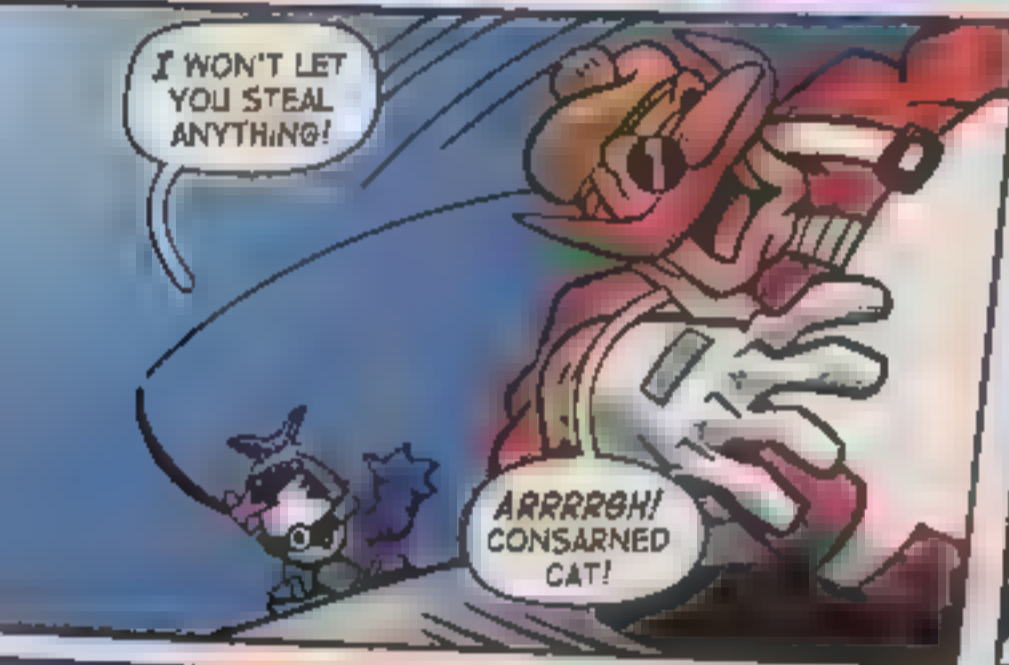




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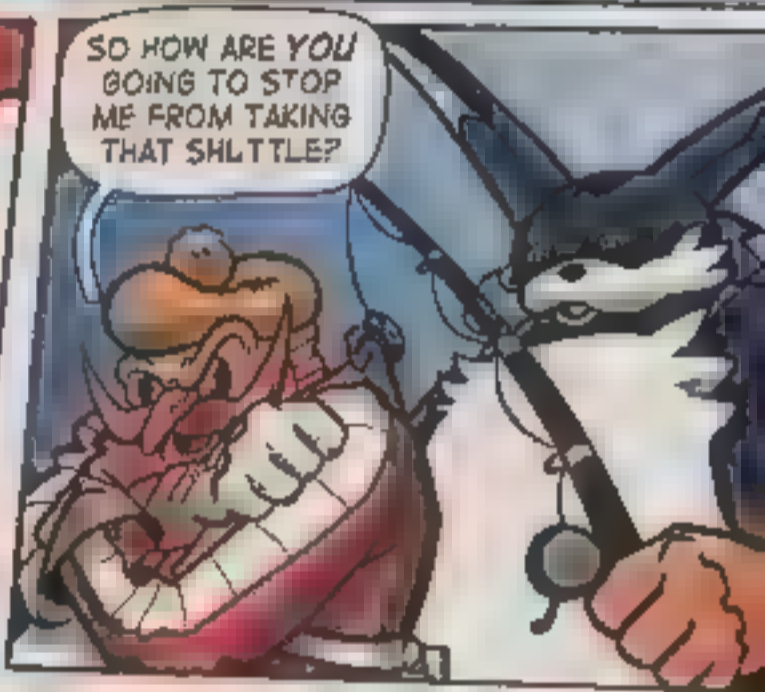
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LET GO OF ME!
I HAVE A SHUTTLE
TO STEAL!

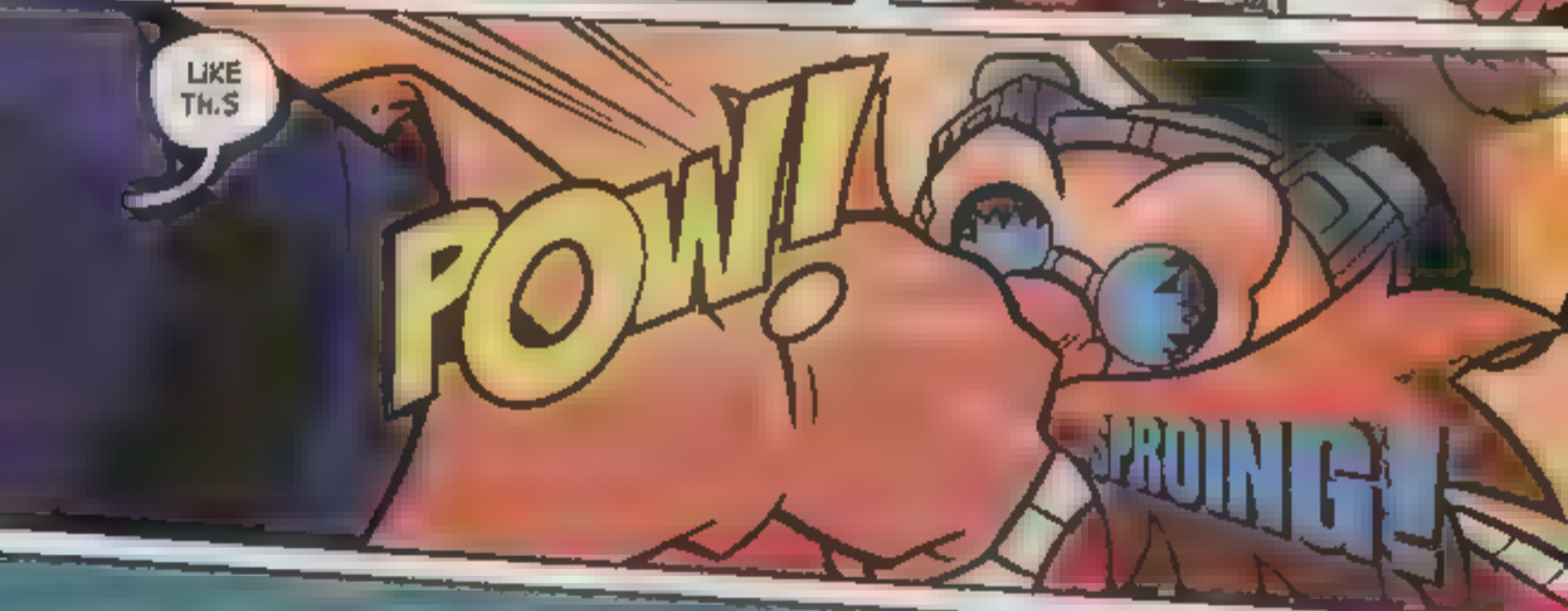


I WON'T LET
YOU STEAL
ANYTHING!

ARRRRGH!
CONSRNED
CAT!



SO HOW ARE YOU
GOING TO STOP
ME FROM TAKING
THAT SHUTTLE?



LIKE
TH.S

POW!

SPRING!



YOU
PUNCHED
ME IN DA
NODE!

NOBUDDY
PUNCHEZ
ME!

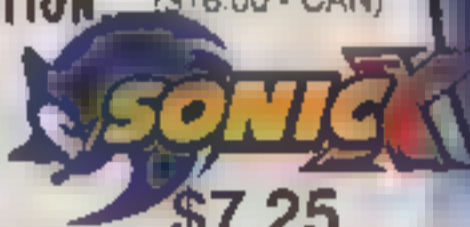
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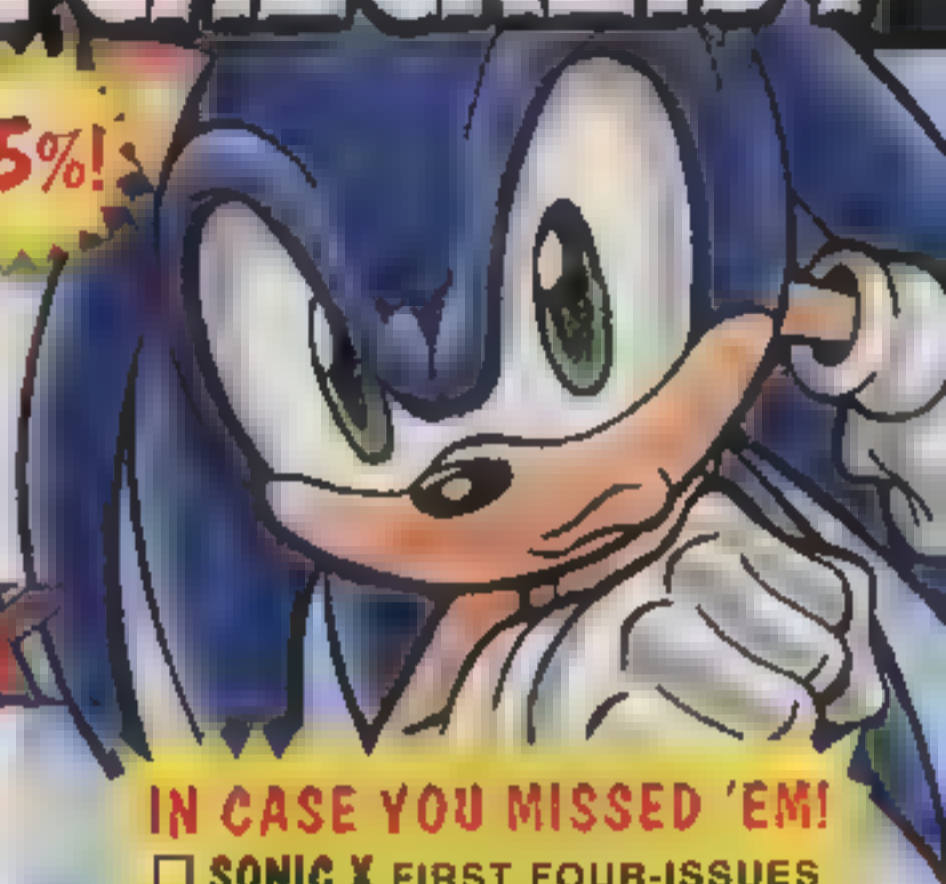
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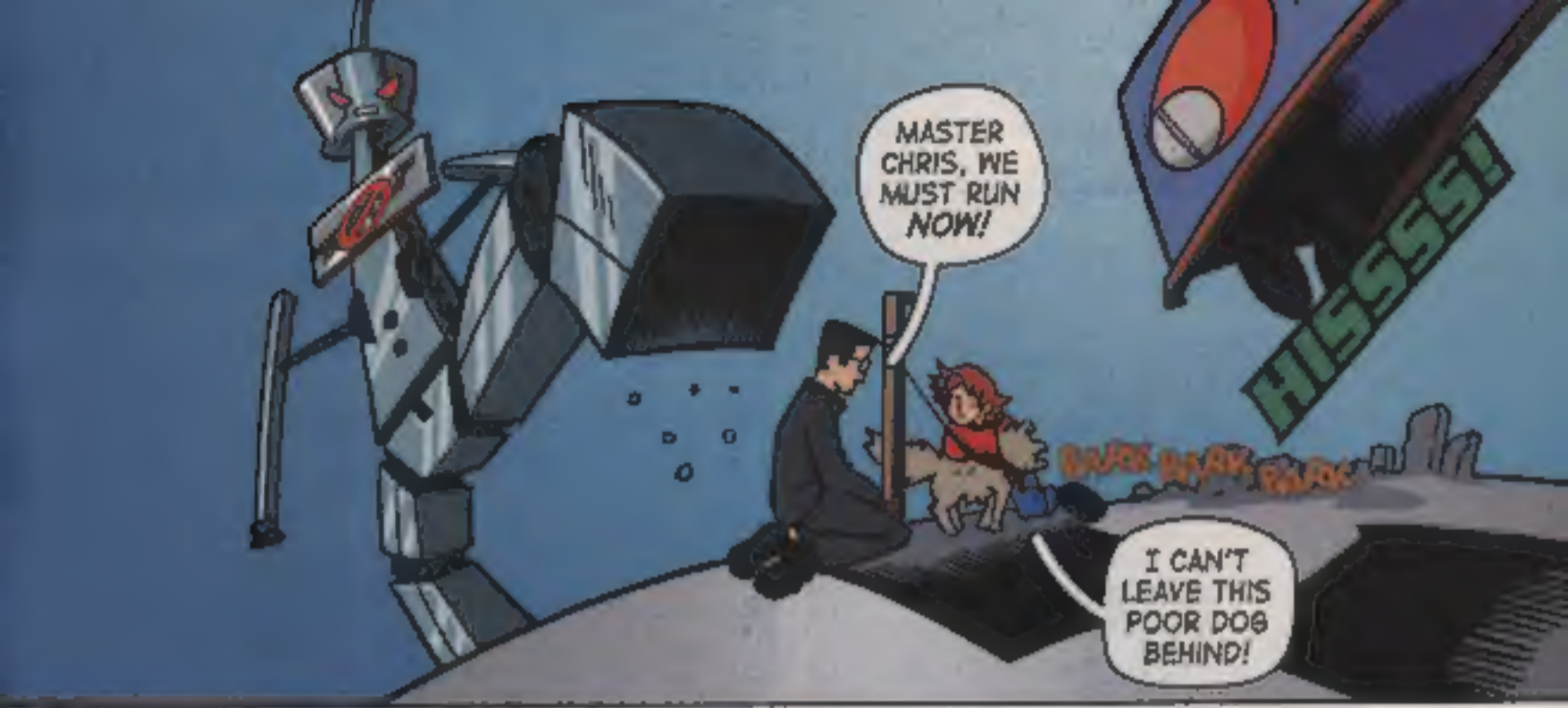
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FOR HIM.

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MORE
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DO THEY
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AND RABBIDS!

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